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1. The amendment filed on 30 January 2004 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) entered.
- b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

- d) disapproved. See explanation below.

- e) entered in part. See explanation below.

The proposed "at least one" perforated" is construed to be new matter which is prohibited by 35 U.S.C 132 and 37 CFR 1.121. The specification and original claims support the presently claimed "a perforated plate"



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